

# Arps Hall

Herrick Archives Number 011

## A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

### 1. Name

1.1 Officially named "Arps Hall" by Board of Trustees on September 18, 1939. In memory of George F. Arps.

1.2 Alternate names noted:

Generally called "Education Building" prior to official naming. Also referred to as "College of Education Building."

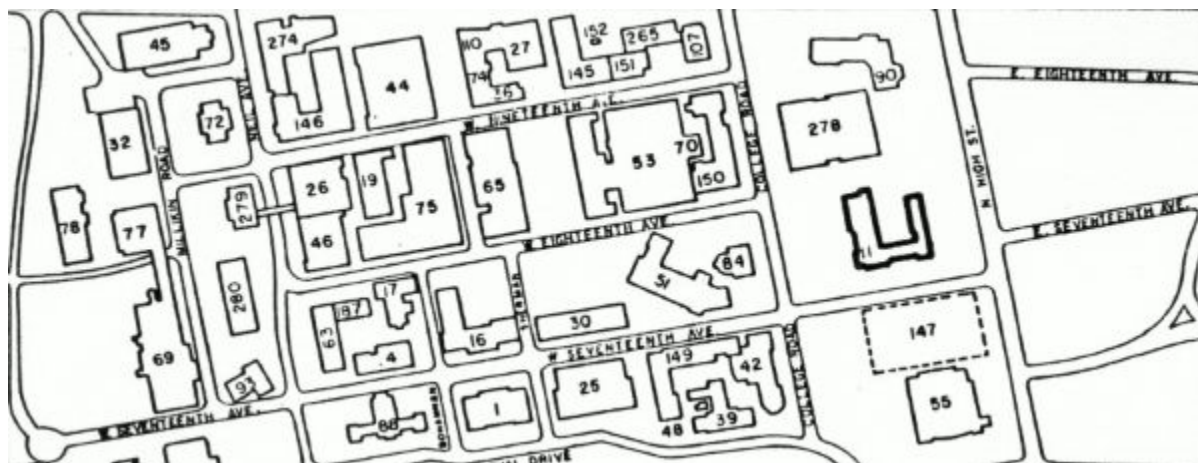
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### 2. Location

2.1 Located at 1945 North High Street. See map below.

2.2 For greater detail, see Sheet 85 in the book of campus maps in the University Archives.

2.3 Located on part of old Ohio Field, which was the site of the varsity football field prior to the construction of Ohio Stadium.



For Identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A.

### 3. General Description

3.1 Type of construction:

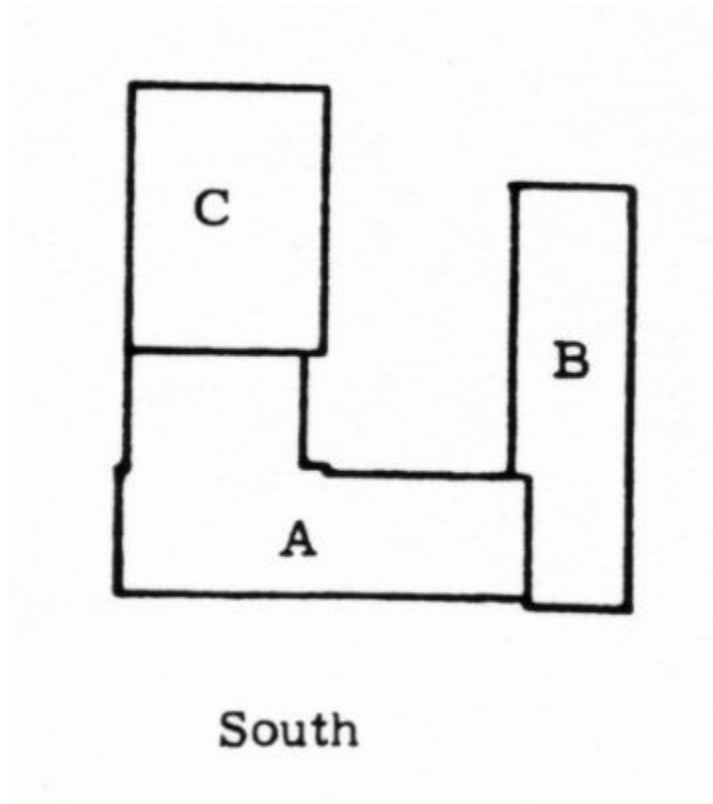
Reinforced concrete frame with brick exterior.

3.2 No. of stories:

Basement and four stories, except that addition C has no fourth floor. Most of the basement in the original building is not suitable for occupancy.

3.3 Increments of construction:

The building was enlarged at two points in the late 1950's. See sketch.



A--original building

B, C--addition

3.4 Present area of building as shown in inventory records of Division of Campus Planning:  
135,680 sq. ft. gross; 73,122 sq. ft. net assignable

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3.5 Original building included 48,095 sq. ft. (McC 4:10A).

3.6 The present building includes 1,724,823 cubic feet (PP); the original building included 843,216 cubic feet (McC 4:10A).

## B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION—ORIGINAL BUILDING

1. On July 17, 1924 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Joseph N. Bradford, University Architect, and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received and opened by Cabinet on September 2, 1924. (T)

3. On September 6, 1924 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: D. W. McGrath & Sons

Electrical: Northern Electric Co.

Heating & plumbing: Huffman-Wolfe Co.

4. Beginning of work:

Work was in progress in October 1924.

#### 5. Completion and occupancy:

Most of the work was completed by late 1925. The final estimate sheet for the heating and plumbing contract is dated October 28, 1925; the one for the general contractor, December 29, 1925 (A). The Board of Trustees on January 11, 1926 accepted the work of these two contractors and authorized final payment.

The final estimate on the electrical contract was dated June 23, 1926, and was payable to Paul L. Gilmore, since the Northern Electric Co. had gone into receivership (A).

The college offices moved into the building on March 25, 1926, according to Raymond D. Bennett, then Secretary of The College of Education. He took this date from an article he had written for the May 1957 issue of Eduscope; the original source was his diary record, which he no longer has.

### C. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION—ADDITIONS

1. On September 4, 1956 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Sims, Cornelius & Schooley and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on November 29, 1956 (A).

3. On December 10, 1956 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Frank Messer & Sons, Inc.

Electrical: McCarty Bros. Electric Co.

Heating & ventilating: Huffman Wolfe Co.

Plumbing: Huffman Wolfe Co.

#### 4. Beginning of work:

On January 14, 1957 the University Architect sent a letter to the general contractor authorizing him to proceed with the work pending execution and processing of contracts (A).

#### 5. Completion and occupancy:

Final estimate sheets for the electrical and general contractors are dated November 8 and December 1, 1958, respectively. The other final estimates are dated February 18, 1959 (A).

The Office of Campus Planning on February 6, 1959 assigned the new space for use (P).

### D. COST

1. On June 30, 1926, upon completion of the original structure, the cumulative total cost was \$341,324.35.

2. Between June 30, 1955 and June 30, 1958, when the building was enlarged, the cost was increased by \$1,552,779.97 to a new total of \$1,894,104.32.

3. During the two years ending June 30, 1961 there was a further net increase of \$38,246.18 to the current total of \$1,932,350.50.

## E. MISCELLANEOUS

The College of Education and the Education Library have been the only occupants of the building, except that the Department of Psychology has remained in the building since its transfer out of the College of Education on January 1, 1968.

## F. PHOTOGRAPHS

### 1. In Photoarchives:

- X 1516--original building
- X 1318--original building
- X 7605--addition on east side

### 2. Other:

- Hooper: 200
- McCracken 4: 278

John H. Herrick April 10, 1972

## ADDENDUM NO. 1

Campus Planning records now show the net assignable area of this building as 74,064 square feet.

John H. Herrick November 7, 1984

## ADDENDUM NO. 2

This building is now carried in Campus Planning records as George F. Arps Hall. The official name remains "Arps Hall."

John H. Herrick August 26, 1986